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Hear Judge Latshaw at Lincoln High School Sunday, 3 P.M. on "The Prevention of Crime"

REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES GROW INTERESTING

EIGHTH WARD NEGROES SUPPORTING THE REGULAR UNINSTRUCTED DELEGATION

"BILLY" HUESTON AND MARSHALL CARTER CONDUCTING CAMPAIGN IN INTEREST OF CITY'S WELFARE—MANY PROMINENT WHITE MEN HELP

The most interesting primary campaign which Kansas City has witnessed in a great many years is now in progress in the Republican party. The interest is in a great measure due to the peculiar conditions that exist and the fact that the campaign is being made without the inspiring influence of rival candidates for the nomination.

In the primary of the Democratic party which has just been settled this week a great interest was developed because it was generally recognized that the contest was a life and death struggle between the two factions that have dominated the affairs of the city locally during the last few years and that the result would likely mean the political end of either the one or the other. In the Republican primaries the situation is different.

In spite of the fact that during the last three months at least a score of good men have been suggested as possible nominees on the Republican ticket as possible candidates for mayor, and in spite of the fact that most any one of the men suggested would be willing to accept the nomination upon the Republican ticket, as the political straws which are blowing about indicate quite strongly that the man who runs upon the Republican ticket will be the next mayor of Kansas City, the field has remained comparatively open and all patriotic Republicans are willing to leave the mak-

a result the Eighth ward will be the scene of one of the most spirited contests in the city on next Thursday, February 24, the day on which the Republican primary will be held. The lines have been thrown out for the battle, Hueston and Carter have thoroughly organized their forces and are going to the primaries fully confident of a victory for their uninstructed delegation.

At the beginning of the contest a number of the colored leaders of the ward had lined up with the "Hale for Mayor" movement before the sentiment for an uninstructed delegation had developed, but as soon as Mr. Hale announced his withdrawal from the contest they brought their strength to the fight which is being made by the two colored committees with the result that the strong men of the ward are now a unit for the delegation.

Every precinct in the Eighth is organized and all the colored precincts are in charge of a colored precinct captain and a corps of lieutenants, and on Tuesday evening of this week at a meeting of the voters held in the auditorium of The Kansas City Sun office a campaign committee of seventy-five was selected. This committee will give two big mass meetings in the ward before next Thursday, the first at Lyric hall on Friday evening, February 18, and the other at one of the churches in the north end of the ward on Wednesday evening, February 23, the place to be announced by hand bills and post card.

The ward is bubbling over with interest and enthusiasm as this is the first time the colored voters have had an opportunity to show their interest in the success of the party and the welfare of the city.

The following men are members of the campaign committee:

W. C. Hueston, Roy Dorsey, Charles Blanton, Joe. Dancy, Harry Willis, Dr. E. B. Ramsey, P. C. Kincaid, Fred Davis Jr., Jack Fields, Dr. McQueen Carrion, M. Bledsoe, W. Wright, T. Neville, W. M. Hill, George Coe, B. E. Francis, J. P. Cooper, Gus Gates, T. B. Carter, W. E. Young, E. C. James, R. E. Lankford, Jas. Saunders, Joe. Cavell, A. M. Clay, Rev. Roy, J. E. Carpenter, Rev. Booker, E. B. Alford, Geo. Fowler, W. B. Mason, Edgar Irving, William White, E. C. Jones, J. H. Marshall, A. L. Struett, Joe. White, H. B. Jackson, L. A. Knox, John Rone, M. R. Carter, E. S. Segars, Dr. T. C. Chapman, Dr. McQueen Carrion, Ruesben Lockhart, Dr. M. H. Lambright, Jas. Cowden, Queen Gilmore, Jas. W. Golden, Jos. McCain, Dr. M. G. Brookins, Dr. T. C. Underhill, Rev. J. W. Jenkins, Earl Woods, M. W. Wilson, Ward Kendrick, Wm. Tucker, Jas. Saunders, Joe. Cavell, Walker Miller, Chester Foster, J. Edgar Dibble, John Winton, Wm. Lyons, Richmond Cole, Jack Fields, Marion Smith, J. C. James, Rev. J. R. McClain.

The uninstructed delegation in the Eighth ward is being supported by a large number of the best white men in the ward. At the end of the delegation will appear the names of Thos. H. Reynolds, one of the leading lawyers of this section of the county, and a member of the law firm of Lathrop, Morrow, Fox and Moore. The caption of the delegation will be THE EIGHTH WARD UNINSTRUCTED REPUBLICAN DELEGATION and the name of Thos. H. Reynolds will appear at the head of the column. The Sun is not able to give the list of delegates in full as the time for filing comes after going to press and the managers of the delegation do not care to give out the list previous to its being filed. It can be said, however, that the names of many men who are representatives in all the different lines of our undertaking will appear in the list of delegates.

There will be two delegate tickets upon the ballot, the one representing the Eight Ward Uninstructed Republican Delegation, the other the Bolting Delegation headed by Jewell and Koehler. In order to vote the uninstructed delegation you simply draw a pencil mark through the center of the Kyle delegation from top to bottom.

Chaplain George W. Prioleau, district deputy for Arizona, has organized a new military lodge at Fort Hunchuca, known as Malta Military lodge U. D. It was largely recruited from the old Eureka lodge No. 135, organized when the Tenth cavalry was in the Philippines. The officers are: Eugene P. Frierson, W. M.; James F. Hendricks, S. W.; Clifford H. Sandridge, J. W.; Wm. W. Thompson, secretary; Vance H. Marchbanks, treasurer; Benjamin Lafferty, S. D.; Nelson Benton, J. D.; Watts Frierson, Tyler; Thomas R. Small, S. S.; James Phoenix, J. S. Chaplain Prioleau has done wonderful work for the Missouri jurisdiction.

AN AMERICAN NEGRO CATHOLIC BISHOP

(By Walter F. McEntire.)

The See of Panama is the oldest See on the American continent. The first church in the diocese was built in a temporary colony on the Atlantic side of the isthmus—Santa Maria de la Antiqua del Darien—early in the sixteenth century. The seat of the Bishopric, however, was soon changed to old Panama and no trace of the earlier settlement was left. The only thing remaining to mark the location of old Panama is the ruins of the tower of the church, sometimes called St. Augustine and sometimes St. Athanasius. The cathedral of the diocese at this time is located in the present (new) City of Panama and was built from the private purse of one of its bishops, and that man a Negro. This bishop was Rt. Rev. Francisco Javier de Luna Victoria. One of the historians says that he was "the first bishop of Negro blood in America and probably of native birth to wear the mitre." So far as our investigations have led us, it appears that he was the first bishop of American birth, and we have yet to find a record of another Negro bishop in America.

His Father a Charcoal Burner.

The father of Bishop Luna Victoria was a freed Negro slave who pursued the avocation of a charcoal burner, making his charcoal near Boca de la Reo Granad and peddling it on his back in the streets of Panama, as one there may see Negroes still doing. This freed slave lived for no other purpose than to rear and educate his son and offer him for the sacred ministry, and he saw his purpose accomplished. Luna Victoria was not only a man of virtue and learning, but a successful man of affairs as well.

We read in the records that the Episcopal See of Panama became vacant by the promotion of Bishop Juan de Sastaneda to the See of Cuzco, Peru, and it having been offered to and refused by several members of religious orders, "the mitre fell upon the head of the priest Francisco Javier de Luna Victoria, a Negro, native of the country, who had ascended in the degrees of the ecclesiastical hierarchy by his merits and his virtues. The news of his nomination caused such a disappointment among the members of the Chapter of the Cathedral, that one of them said: "Is Luna Victoria the Bishop of Panama? Then I must go out wood in the mountains." Surely this worthy man was not moved to speak in this manner because Luna Victoria was a Negro, for there was no antipathy to Negroes then in the church in the South American country, as we shall later point out. Luna Victoria was well received and accepted by the people of Panama in those days when it was known as "a proud and wealthy city."

Transferred to Peru. He took possession of the diocese on the 15th of August, 1751. "The new prelate furnished at his own expense the cathedral and enrichments it with jewels and precious vestments, placed the bells on the towers, and was transferred to the See of Trujillo, Peru, in 1753." He continued to furnish the money until the building was completed on the 3d of December, 1760, "as may be read on the front of the same."

The See of Trujillo was established by Gregory XIII in 1577. The city was founded by Gonzalo Pizarro in 1535. Near the city lie the ruins of the Gran Chimú, known originally as Chan Chan, being the title of the Indian sovereign who fell before the Incas—"one of the most stupendous monuments extant of departed civilization. From these ruins over \$16,000,000 in gold were recovered by the Spaniards."

When Bishop Luna Victoria took charge of the diocese, Trujillo was a flourishing city of importance, and the church was the possessor of a cathedral and a number of other institutions, including "a college founded there earlier than 1621."

And here we may note that Peru has given to the church saints, the records of whose lives shine as the stars: St. Toribio, St. Francis Solano, St. Rose of Lima and Blessed Martin de Porras, a colored man.

And thus we discover again, as we have often done before, under a black skin, a pure soul, a kind heart and a brilliant mind, and we may be permitted to express that in our future historical rambles we may meet with this good bishop again and know him better.

How Could It Be? Some people in this country, reading this article, still wonder how these "proud and wealthy cities" could and would accept a Negro bishop, but this will be made clear from the following statements drawn from histories of South American countries, written by non-Catholic authors who describe our church as "teaching a religion (sic) made up of the errors of Rome mixed with Negro and Indian superstitions."

In South American countries, race antagonisms or aloofness is non-existent. There the conqueror and the conquered, the master and the slave, the white, the black, and the brown man have always worshipped on a footing of equality, and it is no doubt largely to this equalizing policy of the church that the absence of race antagonism is due. There is just as much social in-

1846

ON HIS SEVENTIETH BIRTHDAY.

1916

(Mr. Bowser's reply to greetings of friends.)

To all my friends both old and new,
Who kindly birthday greetings sent;
I read your cards—the verses through—
And thank you for your good intent.

They found my spirits light as air,
No ill, and best of rustic health;
A merry heart that laughs at care,
A treasure greater far than wealth.

The flowers strewn about me here,
Much joy their perfumed sweetness sheds;
But huge bouquets upon my bier,
Will bring no solace when I'm dead.

My friends of more than two score years,
Who count their days as I count mine,
Long may you live, your future care,
Be light, your sun more brightly shine.

The grandmamas and grandsires gray
Who were my pupils on "Church Hill"
Nigh fifty years have passed away
And yet you seem my pupils still.

That old frame Church at Tenth and Gay,
As Charlotte street was christened then;
Was but the dawn—the opening day
Of all our schools that since have been.

Delude it not; nor blush of shame,
Should any feel who studied there;
Be justly proud of your humble aims
As those who college colors wear.

I count it most that all these years,
When best of friends are soon forgot;
Throughout our laughter, hopes or fears
Your faith in me has faltered not.

I ne'er shall live to pay the debt
To Him who lengthened out my days;
For blessings undeserved and yet
I can but sing my Maker's praise.

And pray you all by heaven's decree
May live your three score years and ten.
On that day kindly think of me
"As one who loved his fellow men."

Faithfully yours,

J. DALLAS BOWSER.

Troy Hall, Kansas City, Mo.

February 15, 1916.

GIRLS' SUNDAY

Sunday, February 20, will be observed as Girls' Sunday at Allen Chapel. At the 11:00 o'clock service Miss Eva Bowles of New York City, National Field Secretary of the Y. W. C. A., will be the principal speaker. Miss Anna H. Jones will preside. A special effort is being made to secure the attendance of a large number of girls.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

equality in South America as in any other country, but the dividing lines of the various ranks are drawn by wealth or poverty, by education or ignorance, by gentle or common breeding, as they are elsewhere—rarely, if ever, by color; the highest positions in the state and the professional community as well as in the church are occupied by men of other blood than that of those of pure European descent.

And what has been the moving cause to these conditions? The answer is easy. The church has always sternly refused to countenance racial or social distinctions within her doors. God made all men in His image and likeness.

The soul is black or white just as it is made so by its possessor, and not by the color of the individual's skin.

PROMINENT NEGROES MEET.

A meeting of the leading Negro Republicans of the Middle West has been called to meet in the Assembly room of the Kansas City Sun Tuesday, February 22nd, by Hon. E. T. Barbour of El Reno, Okla., temporary chairman. Among the distinguished men who will be in attendance are John H. Pegg, Inspector of weights and measures, Omaha; Hon. George H. Woodson, Buxton, Ia.; W. T. Francis, St. Paul, Minn.; George W. Gross, of Denver; F. H. McNeal, Silver City, New Mexico; Thos. Campbell, Denver; John L. Thompson and J. B. Rush, Des Moines, Ia.; C. Coody Joannson, Wekoka S. J. Hilton, Luther; and and—T. Barbour of El Reno, Okla.; Nich Chiles of Topeka; Homer G. Phillips and I. H. Brabury, of St. Louis; J. R. A. Crossland of St. Joseph, Hon. E. H. Wright and Alderman Oscar Depriest, of Chicago, and W. C. Hueston, N. C. Crews, F. W. Dabney, of Kansas City.

REV. McDOWELL RESIGNS PASTORATE.

Rev. C. R. McDowell, pastor of the Center Street Colored Baptist church, has tendered his resignation, to take effect in ninety days. The official board accepted the resignation at once and gave the preacher a ninety-day vacation on full time.

The resignation of the pastor marks the end of the fight that has been waged with the pastor and a part of the congregation on one hand, and the remainder of the congregation on the other.

Rev. C. R. McDowell has been pastor of the church for fourteen or fifteen years. At a special meeting of the board officers were elected as follows: Clerk, James H. Dealy; assistant clerk, Martin L. Broadus; treasurer, Doc Nelson; organist, Miss Ella Robinson; musical director, Prof. M. A. Lewis.

The official board, at a special meeting, settled with the pastor the amount due him on past salary amounting to \$474.10.



MRS. FRANCES J. JACKSON.

Superintendent of the Jackson County Home for Aged and Infirm Negroes. Mrs. Jackson is one of the most intellectual and accomplished women of the race and has a business acumen that is simply marvelous. The Sun is proud of the splendid record she is making at this institution.

ELEGANT DINNER PARTY.

Mr. Oliver Cromwell Walker entertained with a six course dinner party at the Y. M. C. A. on February 19, his 25th birthday. The table was decorated with white, pink and red carns. His guests were: Mr. Fred Garrett, Miss Lucy Turner, Mr. Geo. Roy, Miss Ruth Roy, Mr. Leslie Hammon, Miss Edna Williams, Mr. Leon and Roy, Miss Mayme Goin, Mr. Oliver Walker, Miss Nannie Isaacs. It being leap year each lady was presented with a card bearing the name of the gentleman whom she was to escort to the table. A special dinner service was used for the party. Mr. Walker was assisted by Miss Nannie Isaacs, Mr. Fred Garrett, Miss Isaacs acting as hostess. The following menu was served:

Fruit cocktail
Cream of tomato bouillon with dinner biscuits
Celery Radishes
Broiled half spring chicken on toast with jelly
French fried potatoes
Green peas in cream
Hot biscuits
Bird nest salad (head lettuce—tomato mayonnaise)
Saratoga wafers
Vanilla ice cream with hot chocolate sauce
Marshmallow cake
Roquefort cheese
Toasted water biscuit
After dinner mints
Demitasse.

Mr. Louis Tucker, 2434 Woodland avenue, returned home last week from Muskogee, Okla.

A Delightful Banquet

Pullman Porters Give First Musical Which is a Grand Success.

The first musical concert of the Pullman Porters' Benefit Association, held at the Paseo Y. M. C. A., February 17, 1916, from 2 to 5 p. m., was one of the most delightful affairs given in this city. The exercises were held in the main dining room and nearly one hundred porters, their wives and invited guests were present. After all had been comfortably seated the following program was rendered:

I.
"Superba".....Dalberg
Lincoln High Orchestra
"Our Association".....
Mr. D. G. Emery, Master of Ceremonies
"The Rosary".....Orchestra
Address.....Rev. J. R. Ransom
a "The Land of the Sky-blue Water"
b "A Banjo Song"
c "Mauchili"
J. Milton Smyles

Extra.....
II.
Address.....R. B. DeFrantz
"Armourer's Song".....DeVoven
Mr. David Jackson
"Serenade".....Schubert
Mr. Pryor and Orchestra

Address.....Prof. J. M. Marquess
Saxophone Solo.....
a "In the Garden of My Heart".....Ball
b "Then You'll Remember Me".....Balfie
Vinell D. Harris

Selection.....Orchestra
Address.....Dr. J. E. Perry
Address.....Nelson C. Crews
After the completion of the program a flashlight photograph was taken of the assembly, after which all were seated at the banquet table.

Following the invocation by Rev. J. F. Sage of Ward Chapel, this most excellent and appetizing menu was served:

MENU
Fried Spring Chicken
Mashed Potatoes Peas
Rolls
Pineapple Salad
Brick Ice Cream Cake
Black Coffee

During the serving of the banquet delightful music was rendered by the orchestra. Much credit is due the committee composed of Gus Bailey, V. D. Harris, W. P. Mimms, D. G. Emery and W. A. Jarrett, chairman, for the gratifying success of this first entertainment, and they are being besieged to repeat it in the near future. The following persons were in attendance:

A. Miller
Mrs. A. S. Pulcher
L. Morris
W. P. Mimms
Mammie Morris
F. R. Bland
P. Duncan
Mrs. Frank Duncan
W. Daugherty
W. A. Jarrett
J. M. Marquess
Mrs. J. M. Marquess
M. Hughes
B. E. Harris
J. J. Cawthorne
Mrs. Julia Rhodes
Mrs. Hattie Berry
E. M. Whitmore
Mrs. A. Duckkobb
W. D. Johnson
S. Giles
W. H. Thompson
M. A. Fields
S. H. Davidson
Mrs. Katie Wilkins
Mrs. Frances A. Cary
Mrs. P. T. Murphy
N. Adams
Mrs. T. E. Boyd
Miss Chelle Williams
Mrs. J. W. Bailey
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Dixon
Mrs. O. E. Mickens
Mrs. Lou Jones
Mrs. W. L. Jones
William Rice
Mrs. Crump
Mrs. Albert Crump
V. D. Harris
Miss Mable Drew
E. B. Kinley
Mrs. W. A. Jarrett
Mrs. R. L. Perkins
Miss Beert Huntly
B. Shukert
Mrs. W. A. Williams
A. W. White
J. L. Steele
Mrs. J. L. Steele
Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Milligan
Mrs. George Brown
George T. Penman
T. H. Turner
Miss S. E. Childers
Edith Washington
H. Patterson
Mr. and Mrs. H. C. White
William Edwards
J. J. Greene
Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Jones
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jones
Mrs. J. Cawthorne
R. B. DeFrantz
Cooper Jones
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Phillips
Rev. J. F. Sage
Rev. A. A. Gilbert
Rev. J. R. Ransom
Gus Bailey, District Agent
N. C. Crews
Dr. J. E. Perry
D. G. Emery, Mrs. Emery and D. G. Emery Jr.
J. Clement
Miss Olivia Lewis
W. H. Maddox
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gentry
C. McQueen
J. Graves
Mrs. Parlies M. Hoffman
W. Shields
J. R. Goin

Among the porters present were several who own property worth several thousand dollars and are among our most representative citizens, such as W. A. Jarrett, Gus Bailey, Fred Trent, D. G. Emery, W. L. Jones and others.

FIRST EVENT OF THE SEASON.

A Martha Washington Leap Year Social and Ladies' Band Concert will be given at Allen Chapel Wednesday evening, February 23. Would like all ladies to dress in Martha Washington costume. Gentlemen will be escorted by ladies. Refreshments in the lecture room. Hot biscuits will be served free by Miss Lillian Toley, I-H flour demonstrator. Admission 10 cents.



MRS. M. C. MITCHELL.

A woman of rare business ability who has made a success of the real estate business and who is probably the largest property owner among the colored women of this city. She has just recently completed a handsome new duplex.

ing a five decision up to the convention which has been set for February 28, at Convention Hall.

In practically all of the wards uninstructed delegations will be selected to attend the Republican city convention as there seems to be a clearly defined notion in the minds of Republicans generally that this is the proper method to be pursued if the harmony of the party is to be restored and the election of the ticket accomplished. Not only are the party leaders practically unanimous in this sentiment, but there are also in accord with it most of the men who are at all times leaders in movements which are not considered party matters, but whose interest in public affairs is prompted by their convictions as to what they believe to be for the best interest of the city. In the lists of uninstructed delegates so far selected are to be found the names of such men as ex-mayor Henry M. Beardsley, D. J. Haft, E. C. Meservy, O. V. Dodge and other men who have been prominent for the part they have played in the promotion of the welfare of the city.

In the wards of the city in which the Negro vote is strong, the Fifth, Eighth and Eleventh, there is a general sentiment in favor of uninstructed delegations as is evidenced by the action of the colored Republican clubs in these wards in passing resolutions declaring themselves in favor of this policy.

Especially in the Eighth ward is the situation interesting. In this ward the majority of the Republican vote is overwhelmingly colored and the colored voters under the leadership of the two colored committees from that ward, W. C. Hueston and Marshall E. Carter, expressed early in the contest a desire that the ward delegation should go to the city convention uninstructed. In spite of their expressed preference the two white committees from the ward, Edward Jewell and Harry Koehler saw fit to attempt to deliver the ward against the preference of a majority of the voters. As